Mt. Whitney Lottery — progress as of March 24, 2011

Lottery results will be sent by mail in the next few weeks.

It is impossible to report on the status of your application at this time. We will respond to every application by mail.

What happens to any left over space? There is a freeze on reservation transactions from March 16 to April 20, while people receive their lottery results. We are not accepting any new applications at this time. There is no wait list.

After April 1, any remaining space and space from cancelations will be added back to the calendar of available dates. If you have questions about your lottery results, please contact us between April 1 and April 19.

If you wish to add to your group size, change dates or apply for a reservation, the **remaining space will be available** in the **end of April**.

For trips starting in May, June & July; apply April 20, 2011 For trips starting August, September & October; apply April 27, 2011

This year's lottery:

8,162 Mail Received

7,804 Accepted into the Box

358 Rejected

4,138 Reservations Made

3,666 Applications Not Successful

The box is currently empty.

Unsuccessful letters are going in the mail now.

Letters for successful applications will be mailed as we complete the fee collection process.

Thanks from all the staff, Wilderness Permit Reservations Office

How do we do it?

Applications are stirred into random order and put in a **big box**.

After February 15, we begin making reservations from applications drawn at random.

Late arrivals are added to the box each day.

As each application is drawn, a reservation is made if quota space is still available for the entry date and the group size you requested.

Expect notification of results by mail ...after April 1st